



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS**

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Wednesday, April 25, 2012

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-1438)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaña, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, Commissioner Barbara Bigby and Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D.

Excused: Commissioner Rita Hall and Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Call to Order. (12-1618)

Chairperson Montaña called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Chairperson Montaña led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the April 18, 2012 Minutes (12-1784)

On motion of Vice Chairperson Bacio, seconded by Commissioner Bigby, the minutes were approved as amended to add the following to Page 3, Agenda No. 2:

Commissioner Grills suggested that the Probation Department analyze the trends related to youth Absent Without Leave (AWOL) based on gender, ethnicity, location, Resident Care Level (RCL), and types of placement throughout the year. This data will help identify why group homes are being targeted and also aid in protecting youth from becoming victims of sex trafficking. Ms. Pease stated that it was difficult to gather requested data in the past due to shortage of staff; however, with the new Program Analyst on board the department will work on

providing the data to the Commission as requested.

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on Various items for April 25, 2012 (12-1785)

Chairperson Montano announced that she attended the 2012 Interagency Radicalized Hate Crimes Workshop at the Mark Ridley-Thomas Constituent Services Center, held on April 12, 2012, from 1:00p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

She further discussed the invitation from the Quality and Productivity Commission, inviting the Commissioners to the 2012 Commissioners' Leadership Conference on May 23, 2012. The Commissioners will be unable to attend due to prior commitment to attend the Sheriff's Memorial Services on the same day. Commissioners were reminded that the regular scheduled Sybil Brand Commission meeting scheduled for May 23, 2012 will be cancelled.

Chair Montano also shared the following articles with the Commissioners:

Daily Breeze:

Teens Turn to Cleaner as Drug (April 25, 2012)

Los Angeles Times:

New Trouble Emerges for County Agency (April 19, 2012)

Mileage Reports Targeted (April 19, 2012)

Secret Clique in Sheriff's Unit Probed (April 20, 2012)

Teens Drink Hand Wash (April 24, 2012)

Cyber Security Overkill (April 24, 2012)

A Troubling Trend in Teens Drinking Hand Sanitizer (April 24, 2012)

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

3. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for April 25, 2012 (12-1786)

Ms. Bolaji Famuyiwa, Staff Commission Services reported that as of April 25, 2012, Commission Services has received 11 applications for the Sybil Brand Commission For Institutional Inspections Scholarship.

4. Treasurer's Report for April 25, 2012 (12-1787)

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund remains at \$582.46; this does not reflect an encumbrance of \$85.88 that was expended to cover the cost of the plant that was sent to Commissioner Hill on April 4, 2012.

5. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports for April 25, 2012 (12-1788)

There was no report given.

6. Commissioners' Reports on Group Homes and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from April 19, 2012 to April 24, 2012. (12-1789)

During the reporting period the following Group Homes/Facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

- **T & T Home for Boy's visited on April 23, 2012 by Chairperson Montano**
- **Palmdale Station visited on April 24, 2012 by Chairperson Montano**
- **Moore's Cottage visited on April 24, 2012 by Commissioner Bigby**
- **Touch of Life Foundation visited on April 19, 2013 by Vice Chair Bacio. Vice Chair Bacio stated that there were 3 out of 5 Needs and Services Plans and not a sufficient amount of earthquake supplies.**
- **Careprovider Org Foundation visited on April 24, 2012 by Vice Chair Bacio. He stated that there were no earthquake supplies.**
- **Commissioners Hall and Grills visited House of Bethesda on April 20, 2012. Commissioner Grills commented on the Probation Department not supporting mentoring and how culturally based mentoring might be helpful**

During the reporting period the following Group Home/Facility was visited but not inspected:

- **Moore's Cottage visited on April 20, 2012 by Commissioner Bigby.**
- **Commissioners Hall and Grills visited Lennox Station on April 23, 2012, to find that there are no inmates housed there.**

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the

need to take action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-1790)

There were no matters presented.

Public Comment

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-1791)

Mr. Donald Andrews, a potential Commissioner candidate appointed by Supervisor Don Knabe Fourth District, was present to observe the Sybil Brand Commission meeting proceedings. The Commissioners discussed and answered questions posed by Mr. Andrews relative to the codes and regulations governing the inspection of Group Homes.

Adjournment

9. Adjournment for the meeting of April 25, 2012 (12-1792)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.